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Nomination of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly decision 42/450, the Council is to nominate seven members for election by the Assembly at its seventy-third session to fill the vacancies in the Committee for Programme and Coordination that will occur on 31 December 2018 upon the expiration of the terms of the following members: Argentina, France, Peru, Russian Federation, United Republic of Tanzania and Zimbabwe. In addition, one seat with a term expiring on 31 December 2018 from Western European and other States that remains vacant is to be filled. The term of office is three years, beginning on 1 January 2019.

2. The Council is reminded that the General Assembly, in section III of its resolution 3392 (XXX) on the review of the intergovernmental and expert machinery dealing with the formulation, review and approval of programmes and budgets, encouraged Member States to be represented in the Committee for Programme and Coordination at an adequate level in order to raise the expertise of the Committee.

3. The election will be held at the coordination and management meetings of the Council, to be held from 16 to 18 April 2018.

4. The vacancies are to be filled according to the following pattern:

(a) Two members from African States;

(b) One member from Eastern European States;

(c) Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

(d) Two members from Western European and other States (includes one outstanding vacancy).

5. The membership of the Committee in 2018 is set out in the annex to the present note.

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Annex

Committee for Programme and Coordination

(34 members; three-year term)

Membership in 2018

Nine members from African States[1]

Botswana (2020), Burkina Faso (2020), Cameroon (2020), Egypt (2019), Eritrea (2019), Senegal (2019), United Republic of Tanzania* (2018), Zimbabwe* (2018)

Seven members from Asia-Pacific States

Bangladesh (2019), China (2019), India (2020), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2020), Japan (2020), Pakistan (2020), Republic of Korea (2019)

Four members from Eastern European States

Belarus (2020), Bulgaria (2020), Republic of Moldova (2020), Russian Federation* (2018)

Seven members from Latin American and Caribbean States[2]

Argentina* (2018), Brazil (2020), Chile (2020), Cuba (2020), Haiti (2019), Peru* (2018)

Seven members from Western European and other States[3]

France* (2018), Germany (2020), Portugal (2020), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2020), United States of America (2020)

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* Retiring member.

[1] There is one vacancy in this group for a term beginning on the date of election by the General Assembly and expiring on 31 December 2020 (see Council decision 2018/201B).

[2] There is one vacancy in this group for a term beginning on the date of election by the General Assembly and expiring on 31 December 2020 (see Council decision 2018/201B).

[3] There are two vacancies in this group: one for a term to expire on 31 December 2018 and one for a term to expire on 31 December 2020, both terms beginning on the date of election by the General Assembly (see Council decision 2018/201 B).

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Election of 19 members of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Under the terms of paragraph 2 of its resolution 1981/50, the Economic and Social Council is to elect 19 members of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2019, according to the following pattern:

(a) Five members from African States;

(b) Four members from Asia-Pacific States;

(c) Two members from Eastern European States;

(d) Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

(e) Four members from Western European and other States.

2. The election will be held at the coordination and management meetings of the Council, from 16 to 18 April 2018.

3. The membership of the Committee in 2018 is listed in the annex to the present note.

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Annex

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

(19 members; four-year term)

Membership in 2018

Azerbaijan	Nicaragua
Burundi	Pakistan
China	Russian Federation
Cuba	South Africa
Greece	Sudan
Guinea	Turkey
India	United States of America
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Uruguay
Israel	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Mauritania	

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Election of nine members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Note by the Secretary-General

1. By its resolution 1985/17, the Economic and Social Council established the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights to undertake functions relating to the implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and to assist the Council in fulfilling its responsibilities under the Covenant. The members are elected from a list of persons nominated by States parties to the Covenant.

2. In 2018, the Council is to elect nine members of the Committee for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2019 to fill vacancies that will occur upon the expiration, on 31 December 2018, of the terms of the following members: Aslan Khuseinovich Abashidze (Russian Federation), Clément Atangana (Cameroon), Maria Virginia Bras Gomes (Portugal), Chandrashekhar Dasgupta (India), Olivier De Schutter (Belgium), Azzouz Kerdoun (Algeria), Renato Zerbini Ribeiro Leão (Brazil), Heisoo Shin (Republic of Korea) and Rodrigo Uprimny Yepes (Colombia).

3. In a note verbale dated 22 September 2017, the Secretary-General invited States parties to the Covenant to submit their nominations for membership in the Committee within three months. The names of the persons nominated are set out below, together with the States parties that nominated them. Biographical information on the candidates will be provided in document E/2018/9/Add.6.

Name	*Proposed by*
Aslan Khuseinovich Abashidze*	Russian Federation
Clément Atangana*	Cameroon
Asraf Ally Caunhye	Mauritius
Olivier De Schutter*	Belgium

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Name	*Proposed by*
Peters Sunday Omologbe Emuze	Nigeria
Azzouz Kerdoun*	Algeria
Tarik Ibrahim Hassan Kurdi	Sudan
Salima Namusobya	Uganda
Renato Zerbini Ribeiro Leão*	Brazil
Mounkaila Aichatou Seyni	Niger
Heisoo Shin*	Republic of Korea
Rodrigo Uprimny Yepes*	Colombia

* Nominated for re-election.

4. Currently, there are 166 States parties to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. The number of States parties by regional group is listed below, together with the number of seats to be allocated to each region in accordance with Council resolution 1985/17.

Regional group	*States parties as at 5 February 2018*	*Seats allocated*
African States	50	4
Asia-Pacific States	36	4
Eastern European States	23	3
Latin American and Caribbean States	29	4
Western European and other States	27	3
Total	**165**	**18**

5. Accordingly, the number of vacancies in each geographical region to be filled by the Council in 2018 is as follows:

Regional group	*Number of vacancies*
African States	2
Asia-Pacific States	2
Eastern European States	1
Latin American and Caribbean States	3
Western European and other States	1
Total	**9**

6. The current membership of the Committee is listed in the annex to the present note.

Annex

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

(18 members; four-year term)

Membership in 2018

Name	*Term expires on 31 December*
Aslan Khuseinovich Abashidze (Russian Federation)	2018
Mohamed Ezzeldin Abdel-Moneim (Egypt)	2020
Clément Atangana (Cameroon)	2018
Maria Virginia Bras Gomes (Portugal)	2018
Chen Shiqiu (China)	2020
Laura-Maria Craciunean-Tatu (Romania)	2020
Chandrashekhar Dasgupta (India)	2018
Olivier De Schutter (Belgium)	2018
Zdzislaw Kedzia (Poland)	2020
Azzouz Kerdoun (Algeria)	2018
Sandra Liebenberg (South Africa)	2020
Mikel Mancisidor de la Fuente (Spain)	2020
Lydia Carmelita Ravenberg (Suriname)	2020
Renato Zerbini Ribeiro Leão (Brazil)	2018
Waleed Sadi (Jordan)	2020
Heisoo Shin (Republic of Korea)	2018
Rodrigo Uprimny Yepes (Colombia)	2018
Michael Windfuhr (Germany)	2020